ing and generating revenues for the Corporation. Each G.S.A. is provided facilities commensurate with the market conditions and competitive factors in which he has to function.

**Expenditure incurred by A.I. in U.K. on entertainment and publicity**

1216. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) what is the expenditure incurred on entertainment and publicity by Air India in U.K. during the last three years; and

(b) whether the expenditure is very high if so, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) The expenditure incurred by Air India in U.K. on entertainment and publicity during the last three years is as under:

| Year | Expenditure incurred (*Rupees in lacs*) | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | Entertainment | Publicity | Total |
| 1984-85 | 12.40 | 60.69 | 73.09 |
| 1985-86 | 11.59 | 49.75 | 61.34 |
| 1986-87 (Estimated) | 12.63 | 56.79 | 69.42 |

(b) No Sir. During the year 1986-87, the expenditure incurred on entertainment is only 1.3 per cent of the total revenue earned by the Region.

**Security in flights operated by IA**

1217. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether any steps have been taken to improve the security arrangements in the flights operated by IA; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) All passengers before boarding a flight are thoroughly frisked by the police and their hand baggage is checked. Among the steps taken to improve security in IA flights are passengers baggage indentification, cooling of cargo and strict enforcement of PIC display by the empioyees etc.

**Security at Airports**

1218. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that there is lack of coordination and cooperation amongst various agencies like (i) IA (ii) AI (iii) IAAI and (iv) local police at airports in the country;

(b) whether there is no control of IA over the security at airports;

(c) whether this cause a lot of inconvenience to the passengers; and

(d) if so, what steps Government are taking to bring proper coordination in order to tighten the security?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) to (d) At each airport, a Committee known as 'Airport Security Committee' has been set up in which representatives of airport management, airport security, concerned airlines including I.A., customs, immigration etc. are represented. These Committees have beeen set up to coordinate the security measures and to solve day to day problems. Indian Airlines too have a role to play in ensuring security on the ground and in the air. The present system is not causing any inconvenience to passengers.

**Setting up of a tribunal for adjudicating the demands of forward seamen's union**

1219. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Central Calcutta High Court directed the Government of India for setting up a Tribunal for adjudicating the demands raised by the Forward Seamen's Union;

(b) if so, what are the details of the Calcutta High Court ruling; and

(c) whether the Tribunal has since been set up and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) to (c) Yes, Sir. As per ruling of the Calcutta High Court given on 2-6-1987, the FSUI shall formulate the disputes and forward the same to the Central Government to decide as to whether they are covered under section 150 of th Merchant Shipping Act, 1958. If they do so the Central Government shall constitute a Tribunal to adjudicate the disputes.

A list of the disputes has been received and the Government has taken the view that disputes are covered under section 150 of the M.S. Act, 1958. Further action regarding the setting up of the Tribunal is being taken.

**Foreign passengers traffic through International Airports**

1220. SHRI SUKOMAL SEN: Will the Minister of CIVIL AVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) what is the percentage rise in foreign passenger traffic through the four international airports—separately, airport-wise, during the last three years; and

(b) what are the new international Airlines that have agreed to operate through Calcutta Airport?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) The International Airports Authority of India do not maintain statistics exclusively in respect of 'foreign' passengers. However the percentage rise in international traffic through the four international airports during the last three years is indicated below:—

| | Percentage increase over preceding year | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| | 1984-85 | 1985-86 | 1986-87 |
| Bombay | 2.76 | 5.25 | 6.07 |
| Delhi | 3.90 | 7.49 | 1.50 |
| Calcutta | 16.81 | 9 29 | 12.40 |
| Madras | 8 71 | 15.56 | (—)2.93 |